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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PBOR, GT, BH, UK

SUBJ: BELIZE

1. DURING TANGENTIAL DISCUSSION OF BELIZE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CASTILLO VALDEZ AUGUST 3, HE TOLD ME THAT NO DATE HAD BEEN SET FOR RESUMPTION OF TALKS WITH BRITISH AS BRITISH DID NOT SEEM ABLE TO FOCUS ON THIS ISSUE IN VIEW OF MORE PRESSING POLITICAL MATTERS AT HOME. HE DID SAY THAT HE WOULD PREFER, WHEN TALKS ARE RESUMED, THAT THEY BE HELD IN WASHINGTON. HE SAID IT WOULD BE BETTER TO HAVE THEM IN A MUTUALLY FRIENDLY COUNTRY LIKE U.S. THAN IN FORMER BRITISH COLONY OR IN COUNTRY CLOSELY ALLIED TO GUATEMALA. MOREOVER, HE SAID, HE WOULD LIKE TO DEMONSTRATE TO USG THAT GUATEMALA WOULD NOT FEEL HUMILIATED BY HAVING WASHINGTON AS SITE. THIS LAST POINT IS AN OBVIOUS REFERENCE TO STATEMENT VICE PRESIDENT VILLAGRAN KRAMER MADE CONFIDENTIAL

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TO PRESS RECENTLY THAT IT HAD BEEN "HUMILIATING" FOR GUATEMALA TO HAVE HELD PREVIOUS BELIZE CONVERSATIONS IN "COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE AREA" (GUATEMALA 4136).
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